Read the Petition of Richard Sympson a prisoner in Ann Arundell U. H. J. County Goal & John Brookes a prisoner in Prince Georges County p. 144 Goal and referred to the Consideration of the lower House of Assembly.

Signed p Order John Ross Cl. Up. Ho.

Sent by Col Ward

Adjourned till two of the Clock in the afternoon

Eodem Die post Meridiem

This House met again According to Adjournmt

Present as in the Morning

The following Message being prepared is sent to the lower House with the Assize bill by John Rousby Esq^r

By the Upper House of Assembly 3^d September 1731 Gentlemen

In Answer to your Message of this day by Major Hanson & M^r Knight in Relation to the Amendments proposed by your House to the Assize Bill, This House can concede thereto in no other manner than as to the Liberty proposed in favour of any Suspected or real Criminal having the priviledge of having five persons returned as Jurors from the County where the fact was supposed to be committed in the same manner as was usuall before the making the Assize Law; And we further agree to the Amendments for continuance of Causes as proposed in Your Message, with which Amendm^{ts} the bill will pass.

Signed p Order John Ross Cl. Up. Ho.

An Engrossed bill from the lower House by Col Fendall & M^r Courts Entituled an Act Ascertaining the form of the Oath of Judge or Justice thus Subscribed

September 3^d 1731.

Read and Assented to by the lower House of Assembly.

Signed p Order M Macnemara Cl. Lo. Ho.

Read and Assented to by this House & ordered to be so Sub- p. 145 scribed the paper bill so Endorsed is sent to the lower House by Benjamin Tasker Esq^r

Read a second time the bill for Relief of Severall Prisoners in the County Goals of this Province and ordered to be thus Endorsed.

By the Upper House of Assembly 3^d September 1731

Read a Second time & will pass with the following Amendments. That Richard Smith James Mason & John Norwood be not incerted